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F. Trubee Davison to Join CIA in Personnel Post

The Defense Department announced last night that Brig. Gen. F. Tribee Davison, former Assistant Secretary of War for Air, will join the Central Intelligence Agency on July 16.

A spokesman for the CIA confirmed that Gen. Davison will become "a principal assistant" to Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, head of the agency. He added that Gen. Davison probably would do personnel work. He will not replace any other assistant.

Gen. Davison was Assistant Secretary of War for Air from 1926 to 1932. He has been president of the American Museum of Natural History in New York since 1933. In World War I he was a lieutenant (j. g.) in naval aviation. In World War II he served in the Army. During part of the war he was assistant chief of air staff of the Army Air Force. He holds the Distinguished Service Medal and the Navy Cross.

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